

# Yellow Class Newsletter

## Term 5



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! We hope you had a lovely Easter Holiday and are ready to start Term 5.

### 'Pond Life'

This term our topic will be 'Pond Life'.

Below is an overview of how our topic will link with the rest of the curriculum.

In **English** we will be writing information texts about frogs and butterflies and we will be writing a story based on 'Tadpole's Promise' by Jeanne Willis. We are also going to be exploring poetry.

In **Maths** we will be reviewing addition, subtraction, multiplication, division and fractions. We will be reviewing solving arithmetic problems and applying our skills to word problems.

In **Science** we will be learning about the life cycles and needs of animals and humans.

In **DT** we are going to be starting a project based on making our very own kites.

In **Art** we are going to be focusing on producing detailed observational drawings.

In **RE** we will be looking at Christianity and we are going to find out all about Christian beliefs and special celebrations.

Our focus for **PE** this term is athletics. PE will take place on a **Wednesday**. Please ensure your child has a complete PE kit in school and ensure that earrings have been removed and long hair is tied back on these occasions.

### Secret Agent Training (SATs):

We will continue with our Secret Agent Training this term and the children are really excited to see what tasks Agent L will set them next. We will continue to work in our Secret Agent Groups and we will be completing the Maths, Reading and GPS (Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling) tasks in small groups throughout May. Thank you for all your support with SATs and for helping us make it as fun and stress free as possible for the children. Remember the tasks the children will complete are only one piece of evidence and we have lots of fantastic evidence in their books.

**Home learning:**

We will continue to send home weekly spellings based on the Year 2 spelling expectations and the children can continue to choose the 1 Star or 2 Star spellings. These spellings may relate to your child's learning in their spelling/phonics groups or they may be different.

Please continue to read and discuss books as often as possible with your child. Children are able to quiz (if they have chosen a quiz book) and change their reading book as often as they wish. Please keep recording any home reading (school books, books from your own bookshelves, from the library or on their tablets) in their contacts books. Reading at home really does have a huge impact on the progress children make in their reading.

We will also continue to send home reading comprehension practice, maths activities and writing activities that you might like to try at home. Remember we do not expect you to do all of the homework every week, pick and choose what you would like to practice at home.

We will continue to share home learning and busy folders on Friday.

**Dates for your diary:**

**7<sup>th</sup> May** - Class Photos

**9<sup>th</sup> May** - our Forest School inspired learning session will be in the afternoon therefore your child needs to come into school wearing their uniform and bring appropriate outdoor clothing to change into.

**24<sup>th</sup> May** - non-school uniform day for NSPCC.

Thank you for your support.

**Mr Pollard, Miss Croker, Mrs Fermor and Mrs Mundy**